



# KENTUCKY HUNTING SEASONS 2015-2016

DEER	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Modern Gun	Nov. 14-29, 2015 (either sex)		Nov. 14-23, 2015 (either sex)	Nov. 14-23, 2015 (antlered only)
Archery	Sept. 5, 2015 - Jan. 18, 2016 (either sex)			Sept. 5, 2015 - Jan. 18, 2016 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 17-18, Nov. 14-23 and Dec. 12-17)
Crossbow	Oct. 1-18 and Nov. 14 - Dec. 31, 2015 (either sex)			Oct 1-18 and Nov. 14 - Dec. 31, 2015 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 17-18, Nov. 14-23, Dec. 12-17)
Muzzleloader	Oct. 17-18 and Dec. 12-20, 2015 (either sex)			Oct. 17-18 and Dec. 12-17, 2015 (antlered only) and Dec. 18-20, 2015 (either sex)
Youth-only Firearms	Oct. 10-11, 2015 (either sex)			
Free Youth Weekend	Dec. 26-27, 2015 (either sex)			

QUOTA ELK	Firearms	Archery	Crossbow
Bull (antlered)	<b>Week 1:</b> Oct. 3-9, 2015 <b>Week 2:</b> Oct. 10-16, 2015	Sept. 19 - Oct. 2, Oct. 17 - Dec. 11, Dec. 19, 2015 - Jan. 1, Jan. 9-18, 2016	Sept. 26 - Oct. 2, Oct. 17- Dec. 11, Dec. 19-25, 2015
Cow (antlerless)	<b>Week 1:</b> Dec. 12-18, 2015 <b>Week 2:</b> Jan. 2-8, 2016	Oct. 17 - Dec. 11, Dec. 19, 2015 - Jan. 1 and Jan. 9-18, 2016	Oct. 17 - Dec. 11 and Dec. 19-25, 2015
Youth-only Quota (either sex )	All seasons as noted above		

BEAR	Chase-only	Archery/Crossbow	Firearms	Quota Hunt w/Dogs	Youth-only
	Aug. 1-31, 2015 and during Quota Hunt with Dogs	Oct. 24-30, 2015	Dec. 12-14, 2015	Nov. 28-29 and Dec. 19-20, 2015	Dec. 26-27, 2015

FALL TURKEY	Shotgun	Archery	Crossbow
	Oct. 24-30 and Dec. 5-11, 2015	Sept. 5, 2015 - Jan. 18, 2016	Oct. 1-18 and Nov. 14 - Dec. 31, 2015

SMALL GAME		Hunting	Trapping
Squirrel		Aug. 15 - Nov. 13 and Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise, Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016
Rabbit	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 - Jan. 31, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise, Nov. 16, 2015 - Jan. 31, 2016
	Western Zone	Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 10, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise, Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 10, 2016
Quail	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 - Jan. 31, 2016	No trapping
	Western Zone	Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 10, 2016	
Grouse		Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016	
Falconry		Sept. 1, 2015 - Mar. 30, 2016	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week		Dec. 26, 2015 - Jan. 1, 2016	

FURBEARERS	Hunting	Trapping
Raccoon & Opossum	Oct. 1, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016, day or night (exceptions apply)	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016
Coyote	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)	
Bobcat	One half-hour before sunrise Nov. 28, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only	
River Otter, Muskrat, Mink, Beaver, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Weasel & Striped Skunk	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 - Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week	Dec. 26, 2015 - Jan. 1, 2016	

OTHER SPECIES	Hunting
Crow	One half-hour before sunrise Sept. 1 - Nov. 7, 2015 and Jan. 4 - Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only
Bullfrog	Noon May 15 - Midnight Oct. 31, 2015
Groundhog	Year-round
Turtles	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)

NOTE: Seasons on Wildlife Management Areas and other public hunting lands not managed by Kentucky Fish & Wildlife may be different from those below. Go online to [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov) for details.

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